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BY-PASS ROAD UNDER CONSTRUCTION  
ROUTE 912  
PANHANDLE AREA, LAOS  
1712N 10609E


1. SIGNIFICANCE:

THIS BRIEFING BOARD DEPICTS AN ALTERNATE ROAD SEGMENT UNDER CONSTRUCTION WHICH BY-PASSES A TRELLISED SWITCHBACK ON LAOS ROUTE 912.

2. MISSION READOUT:

 REVEALED THE BY-PASS ROAD UNDER CONSTRUCTION FROM A JUNCTION WITH ROUTE 912 AT UTM XE226007 TO A TERMINUS AT UTM XE233024, APPROXIMATELY ONE HUNDRED YARDS FROM THE NAM TA LE (RIVER) (NOT SHOWN ON GRAPHIC). TWO SMALL PERSONNEL FERRIES WITH A GUIDE ROPE ACROSS THE NAM TA LE ARE OBSERVED AT UTM XE232023, NORTH OF THE ROUTE 912 FORD AND IN THE VICINITY OF THE TERMINUS OF THE NEW ROAD SEGMENT. NO PROVISION, NEITHER FORD NOR FERRY, IS OBSERVED FOR VEHICLES TO CROSS THE RIVER FROM THE NEW ROAD SEGMENT TO A REJOINING WITH ROUTE 912. SOME UNIDENTIFIED ACTIVITY, CONSISTING OF A SHORT SECTION OF TRELLIS AND A FEW EXCAVATIONS, IS OBSERVED AT UTM XE231024 ON THE WEST BANK OF THE RIVER.

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 REVEALS THAT CONSTRUCTION ON THE NEW ROAD SEGMENT (PORTIONS OF WHICH ARE CORDUROYED) HAS BEEN COMPLETED TO THE NAM TA LE AT UTM XE232024. AN UNIDENTIFIED RIVER CROSSING IS UNDER CONSTRUCTION AT THE NAM TA LE, AND TWO PERSONNEL

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FERRIES ARE OBSERVED. ADDITIONAL ROAD CONSTRUCTION IS OBSERVED ON THE OPPOSITE SIDE OF THE RIVER FROM UTM XE230026 TO A JUNCTION WITH ROUTE 912 AT UTM XE227026. SIX UNOCCUPIED AW POSITIONS ARE OBSERVED IN THE AREA. THE CONSTRUCTED FORD ON ROUTE 912 APPEARS SERVICEABLE.



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